SPOKANE TRIBE HYDROPOWER SETTLEMENT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1438, to provide for equitable compensation of the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation in settlement of claims of the Tribe concerning the contribution of the Tribe to the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam, after receiving testimony from Senator Murray; Warren Seyler, Spokane Tribal Business Council, Wellpinit, Washington; Howard Funke, Funke and Work Law Offices, Coeur D'Alene, Idaho; and Charles E. Pace, Regional Services, Challis, Idaho.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items: S. 1580, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to

extend the special immigrant religious worker program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Charles W. Pickering, Sr., of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Margaret Catharine Rodgers, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida, Roger W. Titus, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, and Karin J. Immergut, of Oregon, to be United States Attorney for the District of Oregon, Department of Justice.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: public bills, H.R.; private bills, H.R.; and resolutions, H.J. Res.; H. Con. Res., and H. Res. were introduced. Pages H9213-14

Additional Cosponsors: Pages H9214-15

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 364, a resolution of inquiry requesting the President to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of adoption of this resolution the report prepared for the Joint Chiefs of Staff entitled "Operation Iraqi Freedom Strategic Lessons Learned" and documents in his possession on the reconstruction and security of post-war Iraq, adversely, (H. Rept. 108–289, Pt. 2).

H.R. 408, to provide for expansion of Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, amended, (H. Rept. 108–292);

H.R. 708, to require the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in Mendocino National Forest, California, to provide for the use of the proceeds from such conveyance for National Forest purposes, (H. Rept. 108–293);

H.R. 1092, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell certain parcels of Federal land in Carson City and Douglas County, Nevada, amended, (H. Rept. 108–294);

H.R. 1442, to authorize the design and construction of a visitor center for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, amended, (H. Rept. 108–295); and

S. 254, to revise the boundary of the Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park in the State of Hawaii, (H. Rept. 108–296). Pages H9212–13

Chaplain: The prayer was offered today by Rev. Charles L. Moseley, Pastor, Great Bridge Baptist Church in Chesapeake, Virginia.

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Approval of Journal: The House agreed to approve the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, October 1 by a voice vote.

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Partial Birth Abortion Ban Act: The House agreed to the conference report on S. 3, to prohibit the procedure commonly known as partial-birth abortion, by a yea-and-nay vote of 281 yeas to 142 nays, Roll No. 530.

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H. Res. 383, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report was agreed to by voice vote.

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Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations—Motion to go to Conference: Agreed by unanimous consent to disagree to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2660, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and agreed to a conference.

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The House agreed to the Obey motion to instruct conferees on the bill by a yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 203 nays, Roll No. 531. Pages H9155-66

Appointed as conferees: Representatives Regula, Istook, Wicker, Northup, Cunningham, Granger,

Peterson of Pennsylvania, Sherwood, Weldon of Florida, Simpson, Young of Florida, Obey, Hoyer, Lowey, DeLauro, Jackson of Illinois, Kennedy of Rhode Island, and Roybal-Allard.

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Energy Policy Act of 2003—Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House agreed to the Inslee motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 6, to enhance energy conservation and research and development, to provide for security and diversity in the energy supply for the American people by a voice vote.

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Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit—Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House debated the Bishop of New York motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 1, Medicare Prescription Drug and Modernization Act of 2003.

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The House also debated the Flake motion to instruct conferees on the bill. Pages H9180-87

Further proceedings on both motions were postponed until a later date. Page H9187

Senate Messages: Messages from the Senate appear today on pages H9133 and H9203.

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourn today, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow, and further, that when it adjourns tomorrow, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 7 for morning hour debate.

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Private Calendar: Agreed to dispense with the private calendar for Tuesday, October 7. Page H9187

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, October 8.

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Conditional Adjournment or Recess of the Senate: The House agreed to S. Con. Res. 71, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Committee Meetings

REVIEW CROP INSURANCE—SPECIALTY CROP PRODUCERS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management held a hearing to review crop insurance for specialty crop producers. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST—IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on the Administration's Fiscal Year Supplemental Request for Iraq and

Afghanistan. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Ray DuBois, Deputy Under Secretary, Installations and Environment; Gen. Larry Lust, USA, Assistant Chief of Staff, Installation Management; Gen. Dean Fox, USAF, Air Force Civil Engineer; and Lawrence Lanzillotta, Principal Deputy and Deputy Under Secretary, Management Reform.

OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM— OPERATIONAL LESSONS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the U.S. Joint Forces Command on operational lessons from Operation Iraqi Freedom. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Adm. E.P. Giambastiani, U.S. Navy Command, Commander, U.S. Joint Forces Command; and Brig. Gen. Bob Cone, USA, Director, Joint Lessons Learned Team.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 992, Union Members Right-to-Know Act; H.R. 993, Labor Management Accountability Act; and H.R. 994, Union Member Information Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; ENTREPRENEURIAL GOVERNMENT RUN AMOK?

Committee on Government: Ordered reported the following measures: H. Con. Res. 264, authorizing and requesting the President to issue a proclamation to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Constantino Brumidi; and H.J. Res. 70, recognizing Inspectors General over the last 25 years in their efforts to prevent and detect waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement, and to promote economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the Federal Government.

The Committee also held a hearing on "Entrepreneurial Government Run Amok? A Review of FTS/FTS Organizational and Management Challenges." Testimony was heard from Stephen Perry, Administrator, GSA; William T. Woods, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, GAO; and public witnesses.

U.S. POLICY TOWARD LIBERIA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Liberia, Testimony was heard from Walter H. Kansteiner III, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; Theresa Whelan, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of African Affairs, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.